



# PUBLIC NOTICE

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March 18, 2005**

**COMMENTS INVITED ON APPLICATION OF CORECOMM CALIFORNIA, INC.;  
CORECOMM COLORADO, INC.; CORECOMM CONNECTICUT, INC.; CORECOMM  
MASSACHUSETTS, INC.; CORECOMM MISSOURI, INC.; CORECOMM NEWCO,  
INC.; CORECOMM NORTH CAROLINA, INC.; CORECOMM RHODE ISLAND, INC.;  
CORECOMM TEXAS, INC.; CORECOMM VERMONT, INC.; AND CORECOMM  
WEST VIRGINIA INC.  
TO DISCONTINUE DOMESTIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES**

**WC Docket No. 05-126  
Comp. Pol. File No. 704**

**Comments Due: April 1, 2005**

**Section 214 Application**

**Applicants: CoreComm California, Inc.; CoreComm Colorado, Inc.; CoreComm Connecticut, Inc.; CoreComm Massachusetts, Inc.; CoreComm Missouri, Inc.; CoreComm Newco, Inc.; CoreComm North Carolina, Inc.; CoreComm Rhode Island, Inc.; CoreComm Texas, Inc.; CoreComm Vermont, Inc.; CoreComm West Virginia, Inc.**

On March 14, 2005, CoreComm California, Inc.; CoreComm Colorado, Inc.; CoreComm Connecticut, Inc.; CoreComm Massachusetts, Inc.; CoreComm Missouri, Inc.; CoreComm Newco, Inc.; CoreComm North Carolina, Inc.; CoreComm Rhode Island, Inc.; CoreComm Texas, Inc.; CoreComm Vermont, Inc.; and CoreComm West Virginia, Inc. (collectively, CoreComm or Applicants), located at **2100 Renaissance Boulevard, King of Prussia, PA 19406**, filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) requesting authority to the extent necessary, under section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214, and section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue the provision of local, domestic and international long distance services<sup>1</sup> to customers located in the states of Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Carolina, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Washington, and West Virginia. By an amendment filed March 18, 2005, CoreComm corrected certain deficiencies in its initial application. Accordingly, the application is deemed complete and officially filed with the Commission on March 18, 2005.

In its application, CoreComm indicates that its parent company, ATX Communications, Inc., plans to emerge from Chapter 11 bankruptcy by refocusing its business plan in order to achieve long term profitability. Corecomm states that ATX's plan is under review before the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York, and that part of this plan includes CoreComm's proposed discontinuance

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<sup>1</sup> Discontinuance of international service is governed by 47 C.F.R. § 63.19.

of local, intrastate toll, interstate toll, and international telecommunications services to customers in the affected states. CoreComm indicates that, on February 15, 2005, it provided customer notification of the proposed discontinuance as prescribed by section 63.71(a) of the Commission's rules. CoreComm further submits that the services it proposes to discontinue are competitive in nature, and that it is a non-dominant carrier with respect to these services in the affected areas.

In accordance with section 63.71(c) of the Commission's rules, CoreComm's application will be deemed to be granted automatically on the thirty-first (31st) day after the release date of this public notice, unless the Commission notifies CoreComm that the grant will not be automatically effective. Accordingly, pursuant to section 63.71(c), absent further Commission action, CoreComm may not terminate service until April [18], 2005. The Commission will normally authorize proposed discontinuances of service unless it is shown that customers or other end users would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier, or that the public convenience and necessity would be otherwise adversely affected.

This proceeding is considered a "permit but disclose" proceeding for purposes of the Commission's *ex parte* rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200-1.1216. Comments objecting to this application must be filed with the Commission on or before **April 1, 2005**. Such comments should refer to **WC Docket No. 05-126 and Comp. Pol. File No. 704**. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance on the commenter, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or by filing paper copies. See *Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 Fed. Reg. 24121 (1998). Comments filed through the ECFS can be sent as an electronic file via the Internet to <<http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>>. Generally, only one copy of an electronic submission must be filed. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send e-mail to [ecfs@fcc.gov](mailto:ecfs@fcc.gov), and should include the following words in the subject line "get form <your e-mail address>." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply.

Parties who choose to file by paper must send an original and four (4) copies of the comments to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Room TW-A325, Washington, D.C. 20554. Two (2) copies of the comments should also be sent to the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Room 5-C327, Washington, D.C. 20554, Attention: Carmell Weathers. In addition, comments should be served upon the Applicants. Commenters are also requested to fax their comments to the FCC at (202) 418-2345, Attention: Carmell Weathers.

Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail). The Commission's contractor, Natek, Inc., will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Suite 110, Washington, D.C. 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building. Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. U.S. Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority Mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

The application will be available for review and copying during regular business hours at the FCC Reference Center, Portals II, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Room CY-A257, Washington, D.C. 20554, (202) 418-0270. A copy of the application may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc., 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Room CY-B402, Washington, D.C. 20554, telephone (202) 488-5300, facsimile (202) 488-5563, or via e-mail at [FCC@BCPIWEB.COM](mailto:FCC@BCPIWEB.COM).

For further information, contact Carmell Weathers, (202) 418-2325 (voice), [carmell.weathers@fcc.gov](mailto:carmell.weathers@fcc.gov), or John Adams, (202) 418-0394 (voice), [john.adams@fcc.gov](mailto:john.adams@fcc.gov) of the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau. The TTY number is (202) 418-0484. For further information on procedures regarding section 214 please visit [http://www.fcc.gov/wcb/cpd/other\\_adjud](http://www.fcc.gov/wcb/cpd/other_adjud).

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